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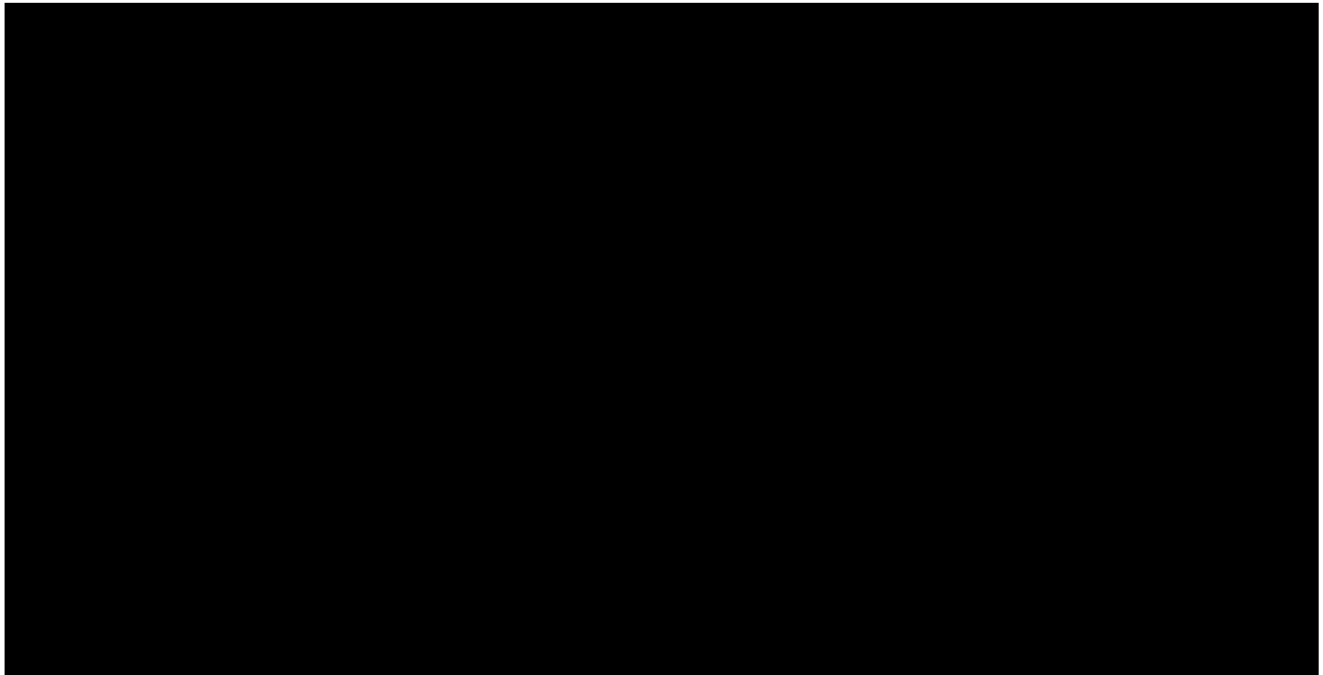
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23 thru 25 November 1953

1. Requested Larry Houston to draft a memorandum for the Director's signature in connection with Project PBSUCCESS. The Comptroller needs this in order to continue disbursements and arrange for special accountings, etc. (The Director has not signed as yet, but will.)

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3. [redacted] reports that as a result of a recent conference with the Treasury we may be unable to pay on 1 January and may be forced to pay on 31 December. However, there seems to be some possibility that we may be able to date checks as of 1 January and actually issue them on 31 December. Bob will keep after this and let me know.

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4. Talked to [redacted] funds and repeated that we must use these funds as carefully as we would any other of the American taxpayers' dollars.

5. In compliance with Mr. Dulles' request, furnished him with a report of our financial condition as of the end of the First Quarter.

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6. Talked to [REDACTED] concerning the necessity for increasing our personnel ceiling in order to establish the new [REDACTED] table of organization. I told him that we were going to have to establish 134 new positions, 35 of which we hoped to be able to absorb inasmuch as two projects involving other agencies had gotten off to slow starts. This leaves a net increase in our personnel ceiling of 99. However, Mr. [REDACTED] fully understands that if we can't absorb these 35 positions we may have to make a further upward revision in our ceiling at a later date.

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7. Walter Pforzheimer reported that a [REDACTED] who was briefed by CIA on or about 20 November, took an awful lot of notes during the briefing. Colonel Edwards was asked to make arrangements for the safekeeping of these documents at [REDACTED] I have talked to Colonel Edwards about this and he assures me that the case is well in hand.

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8. I have instructed Mr. [REDACTED] that the General Services Office will take on the additional job of picking up publications from the Department of State (a task which the Logistics Office has been doing) and that he must accomplish this without any increase in personnel ceiling.

9. Have asked the Logistics Office to expedite its study of the economy to be effected by traveling on lower fared planes, ships, etc. (Mr. Carey telephoned me about this and I told him I agreed that the Agency should have a standard procedure and regulation and that we would attempt to expedite same.)

10. General Cabell confirmed that he had no objection to Mr. [REDACTED] remaining on duty until 1 December if necessary.

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11. Our Military Personnel Division arranged to have the tour of Colonel [REDACTED] extended until about 1 April. General Cabell, Mr. Wisner, and the Director have been advised.

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12. Arranged with Mr. [REDACTED] Mr. Houston, Colonel Edwards, and Mr. [REDACTED] to insure that Mr. [REDACTED] resigns from the Agency effective 15 January 1954.

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13. Agreed with Larry Houston that the Personnel Office should review all "missing-in-action" cases every <sup>twelve</sup> months and that we should have a regulatory procedure to insure that this is done.

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14. Told [REDACTED] that inasmuch as the approval of his new table of organization left him nine recruiters in excess of his authorized strength he could continue at overstrength for a reasonable period of time until this situation could be resolved.

15. I have asked Colonel Edwards and [REDACTED] to check carefully into their statistics which indicate that as of 1 October the Security Office had

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3100 cases on hand (compared to 2670 at the end of October), that 148 cases were on hand over ninety days (compared to 92 the previous month), and that the average time for an investigation has jumped from 85 to 105 days.

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16. Had lunch [REDACTED] with Colonel Edwards and the chiefs of his

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17. Have asked Personnel to come up with recommendations for a replacement for [REDACTED] who is taking [REDACTED] job on the Director's staff.

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18. Agreed with [REDACTED] that I would be glad to discuss with him and Messrs. [REDACTED] funds.

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restrictions heretofore imposed which insure that the U. S. Government is not a party to any profiteering operations.

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20. Talked to [REDACTED] about the systematic review of "missing-in-action" cases every twelve months. He tells me that Personnel understands fully that they have this responsibility and that a regulation is in the mill on this subject.

21. I also renewed my request with Charlie that he attempt to make a list of the dependents or near relatives of important people whom the Director bumps into from time to time.

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22. Advised Mr. [REDACTED] that I understood [REDACTED] was very sick and perhaps should be brought home. Asked him to check with Dr. Tietjen and let me know.

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23. Charlie tells me that he has a number of people who must use or lose their leave prior to 2 January 1954. He expects to grant the leave but advises that if he does so it may require some relaxation in the deadlines which we are imposing upon him. I told him we would do our best to be reasonable about deadlines but that, in any case, I thought he must not allow his personnel to lose leave unless they did it voluntarily.

24. I advised Hart Perry, Bureau of the Budget, of the progress we are making with the IAC representatives on categorizing the various intelligence functions. I told him that we were having a meeting tomorrow and invited him tentatively to a meeting on 30 November.